

Amendment to the Specification

Please make of record the following Abstract:

Mixtures of finely ground waxes, including two or more components A, B, C, and/or D, wherein ester waxes are used as component A, amide waxes are used as component B, hydrocarbon waxes are used as component C, and oxidized long-chain hydrocarbon waxes are used as component D. The mixtures of the present invention are useful as additives in printing inks, coatings, plastics and crop-protection formulations; as a lubricant in plastics, and as a pigment dispersant.